

MAT TOT Information

About the course

The MAT TOT is a three-day course designed to prepare trainers to effectively facilitate the MAT course for child care providers. The MAT TOT focuses on objectively observing participant skills and competency. The MAT TOT covers the entire MAT course for providers in detail. Participants must pass all of the MAT course competencies including a written test and the hands-on skills demonstrations. In addition to passing the MAT course testing materials, trainer candidates must also pass a written test, an observation of skills demonstration and a teach-back component. The MAT TOT class is limited to 8 participants.

Qualifications for MAT Trainers

MAT Trainers must have a valid Virginia license as a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, physician or pharmacist. In addition, all trainers must have a valid e-mail address and the ability to download and print materials.

Renewing the MAT Trainer Certificate

Trainer certificates are renewed every three years. Trainers must complete a minimum of three (3) MAT trainings and one (1) PMAT training to be eligible for renewal. A request to renew the MAT Trainer Certificate must be received in writing at least 6 weeks prior to expiration of the certificate.

Listing of MAT Trainers

The VDSS Division of Licensing Programs maintains a listing of trainers who are currently approved to conduct the MAT and PMAT courses. The listing includes the trainer's contact information, a list of localities in which the trainer is willing to provide training, and the fee charged per participant.

Establishing a fee for the MAT and PMAT Courses

As a professional, it is your responsibility to determine the cost for the classes you offer. When establishing a fee, consider how much other trainers in the area are charging.

Marketing for the MAT and PMAT Courses

In addition to your own marketing efforts, the VDSS Division of Child Care and Development permits organizations to list child care provider training on their online Training Information for Provider Success (TIPS) Calendar. The TIPS Calendar may be viewed at <http://www.dss.virginia.gov/redirect/?83>

What's Next?

1. Sign up for a VDSS sponsored 3-day MAT TOT course.
2. Approved MAT Trainers are required to purchase the CONTENTS of and assemble a Trainer Kit. A list of required items for the Trainer Kit will be distributed during the MAT TOT course. Kits may cost as much as \$400.00 depending on what supplies you already have on hand. Approved MAT Trainers are required to make copies of all participant paperwork needed to conduct the MAT and PMAT courses and to report training information to VDSS. It is expected that the cost for materials and supplies will be off-set by the fees charged to conduct the course.
3. An investment of time and money is required to conduct MAT!